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FM AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, MARR, NL

SUBJECT: THIRD PARTY LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE CAUSED  
BY NUCLEAR INCIDENTS: DRAFT NETHS  
LEGISLATION

REF: A) THE HAGUE A-1035, DEC 3, 1968

B) STATE 8227, JAN 17, 1969

1. REFERENCED MESSAGES DEALT WITH DRAFT NETHS  
LEGISLATION TO REGULATE LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE CAUSED  
BY NUCLEAR INCIDENTS. (EMBASSY'S NOTE #6 OF  
JAN 23, 1969 REGARDING THIS MATTER SENT PURSUANT  
REF B, HAS NEVER BEEN ANSWERED BY MFA.)

2. MFA'S DIRECTOR OF NATO/WEU AFFAIRS HAS ADVISED  
EMBASSY THAT OTHER MINISTRIES ARE PRESSING MFA TO  
AGREE TO SUBMISSION OF SUBJECT LEGISLATION TO  
PARLIAMENT, BUT THAT BEFORE TAKING FINAL POSITION  
IN THIS REGARD MFA WOULD LIKE TO HAVE BENEFIT OF  
INFORMAL US VIEWS ON THE MATTER.

3. DIRECTOR, CITING TECHNICAL AND COMPLEX NATURE  
OF ISSUE INVOLVED (WHETHER EXISTING DUTCH LEGISLATION --  
WHICH DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE AS TO TYPE OF AN  
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INSTALLATION WHICH MIGHT BE LIABLE FOR NUCLEAR

INCIDENT -- IS TO BE REPLACED BY LAW WHICH WOULD INCREASE LIABILITY OF A MILITARY INSTALLATION FOR NUCLEAR INCIDENT), HAS SUGGESTED DESIRABILITY OF GON SENDING ONE OR TWO EXPERTS TO WASHINGTON IN NEAR FUTURE TO DISCUSS MATTER ON INFORMAL BASIS WITH APPROPRIATE US OFFICIALS. ONLY UPCOMING PERIOD WHICH WOULD NOT BE CONVENIENT FOR DUTCH WOULD BE LAST WEEK JANUARY.

4. EMBASSY ENDORSES SUGGESTION THAT US AND DUTCH EXPERTS HAVE INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THIS LONG-STANDING QUESTION AND HOPES DEPT WILL AUTHORIZE POSITIVE RESPONSE, INCLUDING INDICATION OF BEST TIME-FRAME AND POINT-OF-CONTACT IN DEPT FOR PROPOSED DISCUSSIONS.  
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